Vocation of residential premises occupied by MTNL Bombay

*792. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA:

SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had taken a decision to vacate some residential premises being occupied by the MTNL, Bombay, in 1992;

(b) if so, what are the details of the schedule fixed for vocation of these premises; and

(c) whether MTNL, Bombay are adhering to the schedule and if so, the details thereof and by when the premises are likely to be vacated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir. It was agreed in 1992 to vacate a building known as Kalpana Building occupied by M.T.N.L. Bombay in Khar area provided some suitable accommodation became available.

(b) and (c) MTNL had planned to construct a temporary shed in Vile Parle Exchange compound and vacate Kalpana Building by end of 1994. However, M.T.N.L could not adhere to the schedule due to a litigation claiming ownership of the land in which the temporary sheds were being constructed. All attempts are being made to vocate the building by end of July, 95.

Withdrawal of ISD facility

*793. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN:

SHRI SUDHIR RANJAN MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govrenment have decided to withdraw ISD facility from subscribers from 14th May, 1995; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) The MTNL, Delhi has proposed to bar the ISD facility centrally of digital exchange subscribers w.e.f. 14th June, 1995 for those subscribers who do not give in writing by 6th June, 1995 that they wish to retain the ISD facility. Earlier the date fixed for barring the facility was 14th May, 1995. Requests shall also be entertained after 06.06.1995 also.

Supply of Liquified Natural Gas from Oman by Tankers

*794. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whetner Oman has offered to supply have quantity of Liquified Natural Gas to India through tankers;

(b) if so, the likely expenditure to be incurred for taking LNG from Oman by tankers; and

(c) the terms and conditions laid down for such a deal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

World Bank Loan for Pollution control

*795. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJI RAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has rendered technical and financial aid for pollution control in respect of small industrial complexes in the country;

(b) if so, the features thereof and the total amount of World Bank assistance received during the past three years so far; and

(c) the details of the project in respect of which World Bank aid has been received during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) Under the World Bank aided Industrial Pollution Control Project, technical and financial assistance is given for setting up Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) in clusters of small scale industrial units. The financing pattern for the CETPs consists of 20 per cent promoters' contribution and a grant from the Central Government of 25 per cent or Rs. 50 lakhs, whichever is less, subject to a matching contribution from the State Government. The remaining amount is available as a loan from the Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI), which channelises the World Bank assistance for this component of the project.

A total of Rs. 108 crores has been provided by the World Bank along with counterpart funds from the Central and State Governments and Individual Units. The entire amount allocated for this project by the IDBI has been committed.

(c) The details of the project in respect of which the World Bank aid has been received consist of the following:

(i) **Institutional Component:** This is designed to support a programme of strengthening of the State Pollution Control Boards in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra Gujarat, and Tamil Nadu.

(ii) **Investment Component:** This is designed to support projects by individual firms for pollution abatement. Funds are also provided under this component for financing Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs).

(iii) **Technical Assistance:** This is designed to support projects pertaining to training of personnel and preparation of pre-investment studies for CETPs.

Methods for Conservation of Petroleum Products

*796. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Petroleum Conservation Research Association has developed various methods by which a large quantity of petroleum products can be saved in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government propose to adopt such methods;

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by Government in this regard: and

(e) the total expenditure likely to be incurred on implementation of these methods?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRAY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Petroleum Conservation Research association (PCRA) has developed various methods to save and conserve petroleum products. Some of the important activities undertaken in this direction, inter alia, include;

(i) energy audits, energy use studies, fuel use studies, demonstration of projects in various sectors, training programmes, seminars, etc.

(ii) Development and promotion of the use of fuel efficient appliances like kerosene and LPG stoves in the household sector.